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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ruitang Deng, et al.

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TITLE: Compositions and Methods for Protecting

Animals from Lentivirus-Associated Disease Such as Feline Immunodeficiency Virus

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on March 11, 2003, and having an original period for response of three (3) months, which expired on June 11, 2003, be extended by three (3) month(s), such that it expires on September 11, 2003.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$930.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

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